

Amendments to the Specification

At page 1, line 13, please replace the paragraph before the heading "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" (added by Preliminary Amendment) with the following amended paragraph:

A Sequence Listing, on Compact Disc, containing ~~containinbg~~ the text file entitled "MER133SEQLIST.TXT", created on October 17, 2004, and having a file size of 275,000 ~~_____~~ bytes, is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 41, line 32, with the following amended paragraph:

Peptide 7 (P7) contains one amino-acid which is a potential primary anchor for binding to MHC Class II molecules, V823 (numbering according to mature B domain deleted sequence SEQ ID No: 73). Therefore this residue was targeted for mutation to residues which do not have the potential to form other than those which can potentially be primary anchors (i.e. A, C, D, E, K, N, P, Q, R, S, T). Mutagenesis was done via overlap PCR using established protocols as previously. Peptide 7 lies within 766bp fragment of the Factor VIII nucleotide sequence bounded by restriction enzymes AvrII and PflM1. PCR primers for amplification of this fragment were synthesised corresponding to sequences just outside this region (SEQ ID NO: 57 and SEQ ID NO: 58 below). For mutagenesis of V823X, internal primers were synthesised and used as described below:

SEQ ID NO: 57	CGAGGACAGTTATGAAG	(gene nt.2214-2230)
SEQ ID NO: 58	AGTGGGATCTTCCATCTG	(gene nt.3108-3091)
SEQ ID NO: 59	ATGTGGGAGCTACTCATCCC	(gene nt.2523-2503)
SEQ ID NO: 60	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT <u>gcc</u> CTAAGAACAG	(V823A)
SEQ ID NO: 61	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT <u>tgc</u> CTAAGAACAG	(V823C)
SEQ ID NO: 62	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT <u>gac</u> CTAAGAACAG	(V823D)
SEQ ID NO: 63	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT <u>gag</u> CTAAGAACAG	(V823E)
SEQ ID NO: 64	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT <u>ggg</u> CTAAGAACAG	(V823G)
SEQ ID NO: 65	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT <u>cac</u> CTAAGAACAG	(V823H)

SEQ ID NO: 66	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT aag CTAAGAACAG	(V823K)
SEQ ID NO: 67	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT aac CTAAGAACAG	(V823N)
SEQ ID NO: 68	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT ccc CTAAGAACAG	(V823P)
SEQ ID NO: 69	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT cag CTAAGAACAG	(V823Q)
SEQ ID NO: 70	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT cgc CTAAGAACAG	(V823R)
SEQ ID NO: 71	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT gcg CTAAGAACAG	(V823S)
SEQ ID NO: 72	GGGATGAGTAGCTCCCCACAT acc CTAAGAACAG	(V823T)